LDCM

U.S Geological Survey's Center for Earth Resources Observation and Science (EROS)



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EROS Background

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- Established in 1973 to support ERTS/Landsat
- Located 16 miles NE of Sioux Falls, SD on 318 acres; 300,000 sq ft. facility
- Central CONUS location supports earth resources satellite operations
- Staffed by approximately 90 civil servants and 600 contract personnel
- Home to the National Satellite Land Remote Sensing Data Archive (NSLRSDA) and NASA's Land Processes Distributed Active Archive Center





EROS Mission

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Science: To promote applications, uses, and knowledge of land information to better understand our planet

Data Access: To ensure that scientists, researchers, businesses, decision makers, and the public have ready access to land information

Data Archives: To safeguard and expand the national archive of remotely sensed land data





EROS Satellite Operations Activities

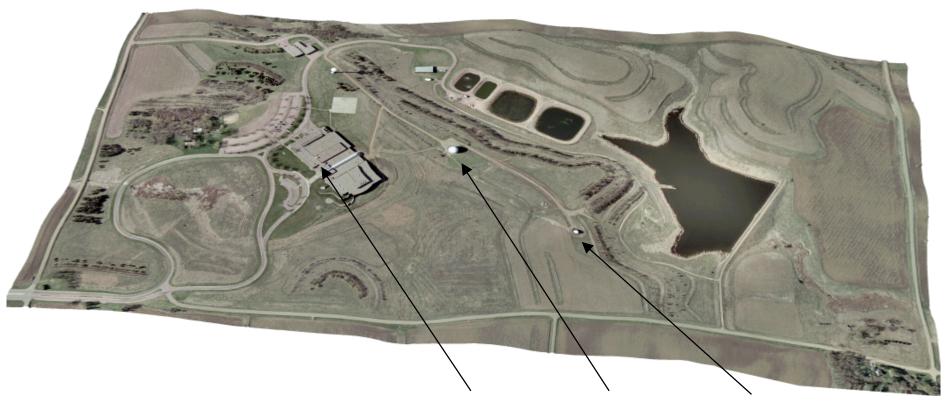


- EROS ground station operations
 - 19x7 operations schedule; 24x7 capable
 - X-band image data reception
 - S-band TT&C communications support
- Active satellite data reception missions
 - Landsat 5 Thematic Mapper (TM)
 - Landsat 7 Enhanced Thematic Mapper (ETM+)
 - 1 Km AVHRR
- Landsat 5 and 7 satellite operations
 - Mission Operations Centers (MOCs) located in Maryland



EROS Data Reception Antennas





- Three Full Motion Satellite Antennas (3M ViaSat / 10M Datron / 5.4M ViaSat)
 - Initial site preparation work completed for an additional antenna



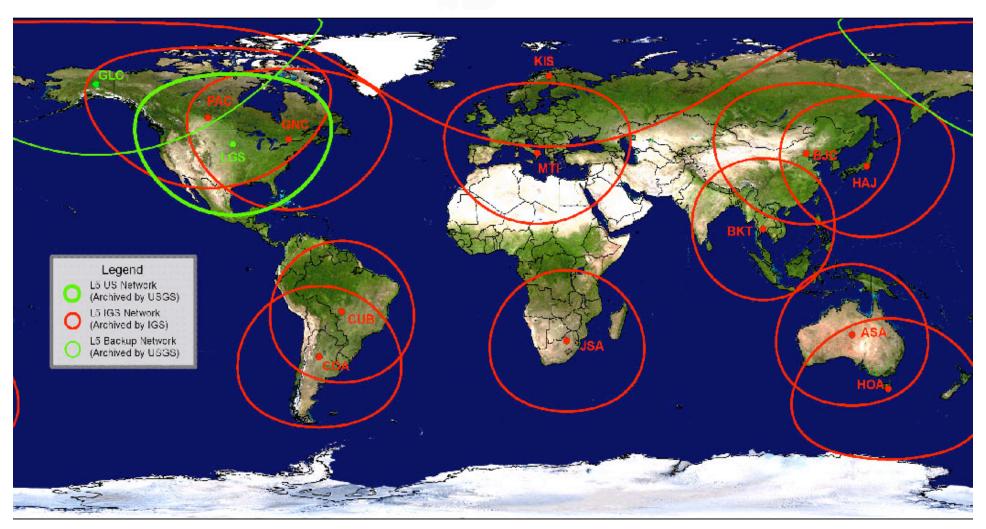
EROS Supports the Landsat Program Objectives

- Maximize acquisition of cloud-free Landsat observations to support global change science
- Distribute Landsat data at no more than the cost of fulfilling a user's request
 - Planning to distribute LDCM data at no charge to the user
- Promote use of Landsat data for land remote sensing research and applications
- Establish and operate a global network of international cooperators
- Support emergency response applications within Landsat's constraints



Landsat 5 International Cooperator Network

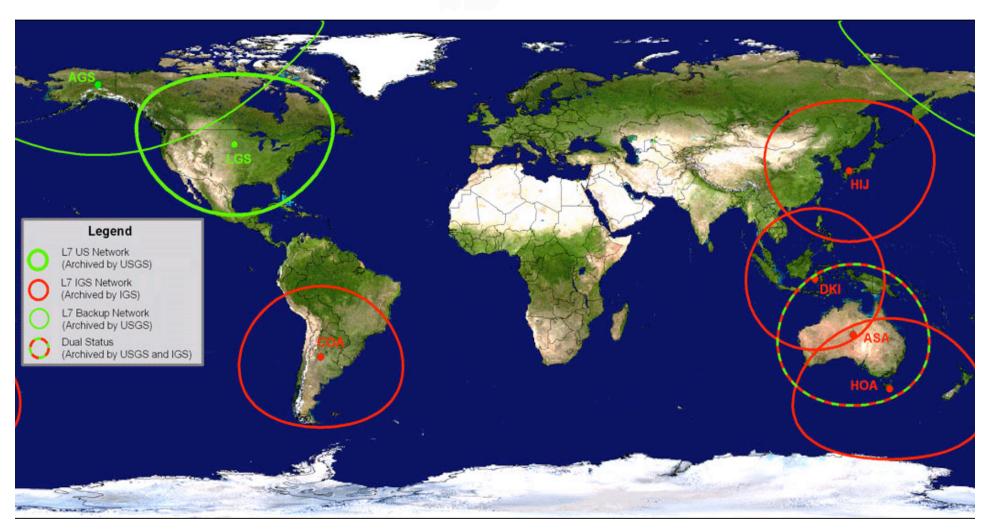






Landsat 7 International Cooperator Network







EROS Archive Overview

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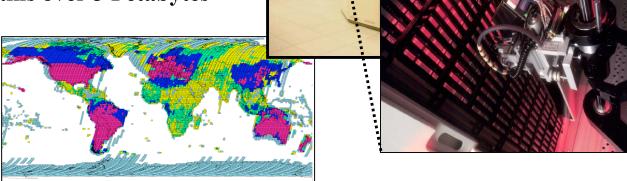
Film Archives

- 1939 to Present
 - 24 major collections
 - Multiple film formats/sizes
 - Over 8.6 million frames



Digital Archives

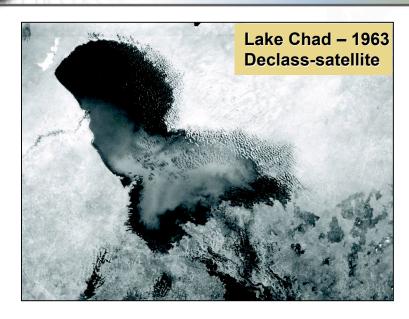
- 1972 to Present
 - Grows by 2 Terabytes per day
 - Contains over 3 Petabytes





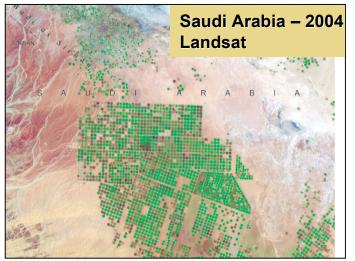
Earth Image Archive Examples













LDCM Ground System Development Status

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- Recently completed Ground System Requirements Review (GSRR) on Sept 26-27; Reviewed segment level requirements
- Developing Level 4 (element) requirements through Q2 2008
- Planning Preliminary Design Review for Sept 2008



USGS LDCM Procurement Status

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- Ground Network Resources: RFPs to industry in 2008
- Flight Ops Team: RFP release Q1 2008; Award Q2 2008
- Operations MOC Facility (at EROS): Modifications in 2008/9
- Remainder of ground system to be procured through separate contracts in late 2007 / early 2008
 - Landsat Data Continuity Contract (LDCC)
 - EROS Technical Support Services Contract (TSSC)



USGS LDCM Project Organization



